



Docket No.: 15675P368

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

ALAIN RAMBACH, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/890,841

Filed: August 2, 2001

For: **METHOD FOR DETECTING BACTERIA
CULTIVATED IN ANAEROBIC CONDITION**

Art Group: 1651

Examiner: IRENE MARX

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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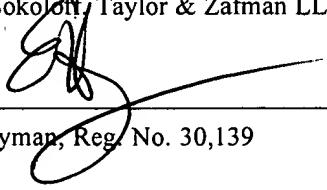
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to December 13, 2004, from the Office Action dated July 13, 2004. The petition filing fee of \$450.00 and an Amendment and Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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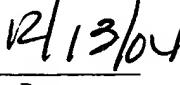
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